



FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION



WOMEN'S SHELTER INFORMATION SYSTEM

APRIL 1, 1998 TO MARCH 31, 1999

**STATISTICAL REPORT
PROVINCIAL SUMMARY**

WOMEN'S SHELTER INFORMATION SYSTEM 1998 PROVINCIAL STATISTICAL REPORT

INTRODUCTION

This is the seventh statistical summary report produced from the Women's Shelter Information System (WSIS) introduced January 1, 1992. The system contains residential and non-residential data for Alberta Women's Shelters, Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres and Second Stage Housing programs. The report reflects data collected between April 1, 1998 and March 31, 1999.

What is WSIS?

The Women's Shelter Information System (WSIS) is an automated information system operated by Alberta Children's Services. This system allows the department to collect extensive information, on an ongoing basis, from women residing in Alberta's women's shelters. It is the only system of its kind in Canada.

Why was it developed?

The Women's Shelter Information System was developed to create a comprehensive picture of all women's shelter activities in the province of Alberta. Relationships have been fostered with First Nations to provide information and in return receive standardized reporting of shelter activities. We hope to increase participation in the Women's Shelter Information system by inviting participation from all Alberta First Nations Women's Shelter programs.

National family violence initiatives and projects have utilized the Provincial Statistical Summary as supporting information in the development of broad-based family violence survey and research initiatives.

The system was also designed to standardize data collection among shelters so information could be more easily compared and interpreted. It allows the department to build on its existing knowledge about the nature and scope of family violence in Alberta. With this information, government, shelters and the community can better identify service needs and provide direction for future policy, program development and research.

Who participates?

Twenty-seven provincially funded Women's Shelters (17), Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres (8), and Second Stage Houses (2) provide information for WSIS. Federally funded Big Stone Cree Nation Women's Emergency Shelter and the Sucker Creek Women's Emergency Shelter also contribute information to the database. Big Stone and Sucker Creek Emergency Shelter admissions represent 3.6% of total provincial admissions of women and 5.3% of total provincial admissions of dependants.

What kind of information is collected?

Four forms are used to collect information:

Residential Information

This form is completed as part of the intake procedure when a woman is admitted to a shelter. The form asks questions about client demographics, the location of the shelter, the types of services requested and provided and the referrals made. It also includes questions about the nature of the abuse and who the abuser was.

Women are also asked to describe the type of intervention and assistance they received from other agencies such as the police and child welfare agencies.

As part of the Children's Services Initiative, women are now asked where they were living at the time of admission to a women's shelter. This information assists in identifying women's shelter utilization patterns across Regional Authorities.

Admitted and Non-Admitted Dependant's Information

This form is completed as part of the intake procedure when a woman with children or other dependants is admitted to a shelter. One form is completed for each dependant admitted with the woman, and for each non-admitted dependant. The form includes questions about demographics, child welfare status, the presence or absence of abuse towards dependants, current living arrangements and the nature of support service referrals made by the women's shelter.

The title of the form was changed to dependant rather than children to reflect the cases (26) where dependant adults require protection from further abuse.

Contact Non-Residential Information

This form is completed for each non-residential contact made to a shelter. Contacts are made primarily by telephone. The form includes questions about the method of contact, the gender and age of the person making contact, reason for and result of the contact. Information about client demographics, the location of the shelter, the nature of the services requested and provided and referrals made are also recorded.

Non-Residential Support Services Information

During 1997, the non-residential support services form was developed to allow recording of information about services provided to those clients choosing to participate in shelter follow-up, outreach or other in-house programs. These programs are geared to providing support after clients leave shelter.

This form is also used to record information about support and outreach services provided to those clients who choose to access shelter support services without being admitted to shelter.

The non-residential support services form also tracks the volume of public education activities facilitated by women's shelter staff.

What about confidentiality and security?

The system was designed to protect the identity of clients. Anonymity is assured through the use of a unique identifier. The client's name is not recorded. The identifier is not linked to any other information the government has about the client.

Clients have the right to refuse to answer any question. Each woman is informed that not providing information will not prejudice the services she or her family receives at the shelter.

The database is protected by several security mechanisms, including a password to enter the system. Physical access is also restricted by security. Only the Administrator and Program Manager of the Women's Shelter Program have access to the locked offices which house the system.

The women's shelter program is impacted by *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, and meets all the requirements set out in the legislation regarding collection, use and disclosure of personal information.

What happens to the information?

Information from the system is compiled and distributed on a monthly and annual basis. It is provided in the form of aggregate numbers and percentages. Data is sent to each shelter and appropriate staff of Children's Services Authorities.

The only public report is the Annual Provincial Summary Report which is sent to the Minister of Children's Services, the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (ACWS), Child and Family Services Regional Authority Contract Specialists and individual shelters in Alberta. This report is available to the public upon request. Shelter specific data is seen only by the individual shelter, Children's Services Family Violence Contract Specialists and the Program Manager. The department is obliged not to release agency-identifying information outside the department, except for Federal/Provincial cost-sharing purposes.

Ad hoc reports may also be prepared to address special information needs.

Data Presentation

Data in this annual statistical report is divided into three sections:

- Residential Information
- Admitted and Non Admitted Dependant's Information
- Non-Residential Information

SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

From April 1, 1998 to March 31, 1999 there were 4923 women and 6002 children admitted to Women's Shelters, Rural Family Violence Centres and Second Stage Housing programs in Alberta.

Note that these are the number of admissions and not the number of "unique" women and children served in the year, as some clients return for safe accommodation more than once.

The data was collected from twenty-seven provincial and two federal facilities.

In the following Summaries, percentages less than .5 have been rounded down, and percentages equal to or greater than .5 have been rounded up to the next whole number.

AGE

The average age of admitted women was thirty-two years, with seventy-four percent of admitted women between the ages of twenty and thirty-nine.

MARITAL STATUS

Twenty-two percent of admitted women were married and a further thirty-eight percent lived in a common-law/live-in relationship. Sixteen percent reported being divorced, separated or living apart from their partner. Single women accounted for twenty-two percent of all admissions in 1998/1999.

PERPETRATOR

Women may report being abused by more than one person. Twenty-eight percent of admitted women reported abuse by their husband or ex-husband, and forty-nine percent reported abuse by their common-law or ex common-law partner. Eight percent reported abuse by a boyfriend or ex-boyfriend, and thirteen percent of women reported abuse by another family member (son, daughter, mother, father, in-laws).

TYPE OF ABUSE

Women may report more than one type of abuse. Seventy percent of women reported being physically abused, eighty-seven percent psychologically abused, thirty-six percent reported abuse or threats of abuse to family members, forty-two percent reported destruction of property or pets, twenty-seven percent reported sexual abuse and fifty-five percent of women reported financial abuse.

SERVICES PROVIDED

Women may access more than one service when in shelter. The services most frequently provided to women and children were: referral (100%), information (96%), emotional support (93%), donations of furniture, clothing and household items (75%) and transportation (52%). The three most asked for services that were not available in all shelters were Life Skills Training, VON or other nursing services and women's groups.

REFERRALS PROVIDED

Women may be referred to more than one service throughout their stay at shelter. The most frequent referrals were to In-house services 2077, Social Allowance (SFI) 1744 and Housing 1584. Shelter workers indicated that the three most requested services not accessible in all communities were family counseling services, second stage housing and career counselling.

DEPARTURE STATUS

Eighteen percent of women leaving shelters, rural centres and second stage housing said they were going to live on their own, ten percent returned home without their spouse, and eight percent of women moved into either another shelter or a second stage housing project. Twenty-four percent went to live with friends or relatives and twelve percent returned to their spouses.

SUMMARY OF ADMITTED AND NON-ADMITTED DEPENDANT'S INFORMATION

AGE

The total number of dependants admitted was 6,002. 99.5 percent were under 18 years of age and 0.5 percent were over the age of 18. The average age of children admitted was six years, although thirty-six percent of children were between the ages of one to four. Ninety-seven percent of children were admitted with their mothers, one percent were admitted after their mothers.

2,834 dependant children were not admitted during their mother's stay at shelters, rural centres, and second stage programs. Of the non-admitted dependant children, twelve percent were residing with extended family members and friends. Seven percent lived in residential placement or treatment centres. One percent were living independently or at home unsupervised, and six percent were at home in the partner's care.

CHILD ABUSE

More than one type of child abuse may be reported. Of the admitted children, women reported that fifty-four percent of admitted dependants were psychologically abused, fifteen percent were physically abused, four percent were sexually abused, and fourteen percent suffered neglect.

CHILD WELFARE STATUS

Seventeen percent of admitted children were identified by their mothers as under Child Welfare Investigation, or having Child Welfare status. Ten percent of admitted children were referred to Child Welfare and eleven percent of admitted children were referred to community support, assessment and counselling programs.

SUMMARY OF NON-RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Shelters, Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres and Second Stage Housing programs provide non-residential services such as crisis intervention, referral and information to women, men, children, teens and elder Albertans.

METHOD OF CONTACT

The total non-residential contacts for all shelters, rural centres and second stage houses was 38,141. Ninety percent of these contacts were made by persons telephoning shelters and nine percent were in person contacts.

The total non-residential support services contacts for all shelters, rural centres and second stage houses was 30,676. Forty percent of the contacts were follow-up, thirty-six percent were outreach, nineteen percent were in-house service and four percent were public education.

SOURCE OF CONTACT

Ninety-three percent of contacts were made by females, six percent were made by males. Ninety-one percent of the contacts were from adults eighteen to sixty-four years of age and one percent were from children under eleven years, teens twelve to seventeen and persons sixty-five plus. In the remainder of contacts, the age was unknown.

IN NEED OF ACCOMMODATION

8,433 persons asking for accommodation were accepted for admission. 9,357 abused women and 1,038 other women meeting the shelter mandate, requested accommodation and were unable to be accepted due to the shelters being full. 2,618 persons were not accepted because they fell outside of the shelter program mandate and 3,415 persons requesting accommodation were referred to Emergency Social Services.

TYPE OF SERVICE PROVIDED

Callers are likely to request numerous referrals to services, based on their presenting needs and local service availability. The most frequent services provided were for Emotional support/information (91%), Referrals (36%) and Ongoing abuse intervention (33%).

There are a number of factors that contribute to the number of Albertans contacting shelters in Alberta. The first Alberta shelter opened in Calgary in the early 1970s. Since that time shelters have become well established in many communities, and public awareness of the services provided has increased. Citizens and professionals have come to recognize shelters as valuable sources of support and referral as well as safe accommodation for those who are abused. Public awareness of the dynamics of Family Violence has also been heightened through the efforts of community based programs and services. This has been especially true in understanding effects on children who witness violence in their families. Media coverage of incidents of family violence has also made the community sensitive to the severity of abuse and the tragic outcomes for victims and their families.

RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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*****[STATISTICAL SUMMARY: ALL]*****

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Age of admitted woman.

Average: 32

Range: 14 to 88

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Age >= 65	33	0.7
Age 55 to 64	82	1.7
Age 40 to 54	794	16.1
Age 20 to 39	3655	74.2
Age 16 to 19	349	7.1
Age <= 15	6	0.1
No response	4	0.1

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Type of admission.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Abused woman with dependants	2804	57.0
Abused woman	1383	28.1
Victim of sexual assault	36	0.7
Women awaiting hospital, special medical or social serv	51	1.0
Other women meeting shelter mandate	603	12.2
Total	4877	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Referral source.

Note: Client may select multiple sources.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Self	2622
Family and Social Services	391
Community agency	414
Other shelter	527
Medical (doctor, hospital)	131
Police	579
Friend/relative	574
School system	36
Shelter staff	180
Church	24
Reserve	177
Other	227
Total	5882

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Marital status

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Single	1089	22.1
Married	1087	22.1
Common-law/live-in	1850	37.6
Separated or living apart	574	11.7
Divorced	194	3.9
Widowed	45	0.9
Unknown	37	0.8
Total	4876	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Where did woman consider home before admission?

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Urban	3118	63.3
Rural	1257	25.5
Remote	150	3.0
Settlement	263	5.3
Homeless	71	1.4
Total	4859	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/'998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Woman's home region.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Northwest	955	19.4
Northeast	648	13.2
Edmonton	880	17.9
Central	567	11.5
Calgary	701	14.2
South	512	10.4
Saskatchewan	189	3.8
British Columbia	150	3.0
Other	241	4.9
Total	4843	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Regional Authority where woman was
when entering shelter - if in Alberta

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Regional Authority 01:	347	7.0
Regional Authority 02:	119	2.4
Regional Authority 03:	32	0.7
Regional Authority 04:	850	17.3
Regional Authority 05:	81	1.6
Regional Authority 06:	270	5.5
Regional Authority 07:	115	2.3
Regional Authority 08:	220	4.5
Regional Authority 09:	43	0.9
Regional Authority 10:	776	15.8
Regional Authority 11:	65	1.3
Regional Authority 12:	348	7.1
Regional Authority 13:	369	7.5
Regional Authority 14:	83	1.7
Regional Authority 15:	168	3.4
Regional Authority 16:	212	4.3
Regional Authority 17:	181	3.7
Regional Authority 18:	91	1.8
Total	4370	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Regional Authority where woman will be residing
when leaving shelter - if in Alberta

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Regional Authority 01:	264	5.4
Regional Authority 02:	89	1.8
Regional Authority 03:	46	0.9
Regional Authority 04:	793	16.1
Regional Authority 05:	65	1.3
Regional Authority 06:	229	4.7
Regional Authority 07:	114	2.3
Regional Authority 08:	198	4.0
Regional Authority 09:	30	0.6
Regional Authority 10:	746	15.2
Regional Authority 11:	44	0.9
Regional Authority 12:	261	5.3
Regional Authority 13:	299	6.1
Regional Authority 14:	75	1.5
Regional Authority 15:	126	2.6
Regional Authority 16:	157	3.2
Regional Authority 17:	154	3.1
Regional Authority 18:	57	1.2
Total	3747	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Type of abuse reported by woman.
Note: client may report multiple abuse types.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Physical abuse	3448
Sexual abuse	1315
Psychological abuse	4280
Abuse or threats of abuse to family members	1791
Destruction of property or pets	2052
Financial abuse	2690
Total	15576

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Abused by.

Note: client may identify multiple abusers.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Husband	1205
Ex-husband	172
Son	32
Daughter	25
Other relative	265
Live-in partner/common-law	1855
Ex-live-in/common-law	562
Boyfriend	254
Ex-boyfriend	149
Mother	247
Father	190
In-law(s)	143
Other	407
Total	5506

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Services provided to the woman (and children).
Note: multiple services may be provided to the client.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
VON/Other Nursing Service	1066
Information	4702
Emotional support/Crisis counselling	4574
Life Skills Training	288
Individual case advocacy	1630
Parenting/child management	1012
Women's group	2064
Children's group	610
Child care	1351
Transportation	2542
Interpreter	104
In-house teacher	348
Donations	3668
Other	145
Referral	7368
Child support services	1761
Total	33233

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Services needed but not available.

Note: multiple services may be required but not available.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
VON/Other Nursing Service	96
Information	3
Emotional support/Crisis counselling	6
Life Skills Training	173
Individual case advocacy	6
Parenting/Child management	15
Women's group	77
Children's group	53
Child care	32
Transportation	51
Interpreter	13
In-house teacher	32
Donations	3
Other	4
Referral	5
Child support services	9
Total	578

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Current use of other Alberta Family
and Social Services Programmes

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Day Care Subsidy	143
Handicapped Childrens Services	42
Early Intervention Program	80
Supports for Independence	1500
Other	331

Total	2096
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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Have police been involved?

Note: client may identify multiple intervention types.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
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Mediated dispute only	516
Informed woman of assistance	1129
Assisted woman to leave home	858
Transported/arranged transportation to shelter	627
Advised woman to lay charges	644
Assault charges laid by police	736
Arrested batterer	710
Referred to Victim Services	448
Referred to other services	267
Referred to spousal violence team	64
Enforce restraining order/peace bond	112
Advised woman not to lay charges	369
Police did not respond	647
Asked woman if she wanted charges laid	464
Other	131

Total	7722
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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Transportation to shelter.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Self	1709	34.7
Shelter	1033	21.0
Police	627	12.7
Other	1403	28.5
Total	4772	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Distance woman travelled to shelter

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
In town	2287	46.5
Less than 10 km	257	5.2
Less than 50 km	720	14.6
More than 50 km	1602	32.5
Total	4866	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Woman referred to:

Note: client may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Police/Victim Services	1021
Child Welfare	596
Provincial Social Allowance (SFI)	1744
Legal services	1080
Medical services	1337
Other accomodations	1032
Career counselling	354
Mental health services	633
Addictions counselling	444
Housing	1584
Counselling and or groups for men	168
Counselling and or groups for women	1578
Family counselling services	488
Indian Affairs	229
Native counselling	358
Sexual Assault Centre	176
Food Bank	293
Interpreter services	48
Clergy	128
Second stage housing	469
Other shelter	589
Other community agency	834
Emergency Social Services	339
Early Intervention Program	173
In-house services	2077
Community outreach	942
Total	18714

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Woman referred to (needed but not accessible)
Note: client may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Police/Victim Services	2
Child Welfare	1
Provincial Social Allowance (SFI)	2
Legal services	1
Medical services	0
Other accomodations	1
Career counselling	4
Mental health services	2
Addictions counselling	2
Housing	1
Counselling and or groups for men	2
Counselling and or groups for women	2
Family counselling services	7
Indian Affairs	1
Native counselling	2
Sexual Assault Centre	3
Food Bank	2
Interpreter services	2
Clergy	1
Second stage housing	5
Other shelter	1
Other community agency	0
Emergency Social Services	3
Early Intervention Program	3
In-house services	1
Community outreach	1
Total	52

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Number of bednights spent at shelter
by client & dependant.

Average: 12

Range: 1 to 278

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number
1 to 3 Bednights	3725
4 to 7 Bednights	2131
8 to 14 Bednights	1738
15 to 21 Bednights	1693
22 and above	1638

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Departure status.

Total admitted clients: 4923

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Return to spouse	574	11.7
Return home without spouse	504	10.2
Second stage housing	113	2.3
Another emergency shelter in Alberta	273	5.5
Out of province shelter	65	1.3
New accomodation without spouse	863	17.5
Living with friend/relatives	1187	24.1
Hospital	56	1.1
Residential services	95	1.9
Other	434	8.8
Unknown	704	14.3
Total	4868	

**ADMITTED AND NON-ADMITTED DEPENDANT'S
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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Age of admitted dependants.

Average: 6

Range: 0 to 68

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number
> OR = 18 years	26
15 to 17 years	262
13 to 14 years	300
10 to 12 years	723
5 to 9 years	1866
1 to 4 years	2146
1 to 11 months	679

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Dependant summary.

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Dependants admitted with mom:	
>= 18 years	23
15 to 17 years	250
13 to 14 years	286
10 to 12 years	703
5 to 9 years	1811
1 to 4 years	2092
1 to 11 months	663
Dependants admitted after mom:	
>= 18 years	3
15 to 17 years	12
13 to 14 years	14
10 to 12 years	20
5 to 9 years	55
1 to 4 years	54
1 to 11 months	16
Dependants not admitted:	
>= 18 years	54
15 to 17 years	416
13 to 14 years	323
10 to 12 years	433
5 to 9 years	918
1 to 4 years	599
1 to 11 months	91
Total	8836

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: If child: school status at time
of woman's admission.

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Day care or not of school age	2481	41.3
Kindergarten	374	6.2
Regular school (public/separate)	2438	40.6
Special education (remedial, behavioral class)	74	1.2
Other (eg. private school)	53	0.9
Does not attend	506	8.4
Total	5926	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: If child: child welfare status at time
of woman's admission.

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
No Child Welfare status	4410	73.5
Child Welfare status	879	14.6
Investigation in progress	164	2.7
Unknown	474	7.9
Total	5927	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Dependant's current placement.

Total dependants: 8836

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Resp
In Shelter	6002	67.9
At home unsupervised	17	0.2
At home, in partner's care	506	5.7
With extended family member	989	11.2
With friends	84	1.0
Residential placement (eg. foster/receiving/group home)	595	6.7
Residential treatment centre	29	0.3
Living independently (if under 18 years)	24	0.3
Other	101	1.1
Unknown	55	0.6
Birth parent	434	4.9
Total	8836	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999Question: Prior to shelter admission, did the
dependant live with woman?

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Yes	5761	96.0
No	175	2.9
Total	5936	

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*****[STATISTICAL SUMMARY: ALL]*****

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Is dependant receiving non-residential support?

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Yes	438	7.3
No	4568	76.1
Total	5006	

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Dependant is referred by shelter to the following programs.
Note: dependant may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number
No referral	3065
Child Welfare	630
Assessment Program	86
Community support programs	502
Alternative residential care	44
Drug/alcohol counselling	27
Sexual abuse counselling	50
Psychological/psychiatric counselling	242
Other	320
Medical services	141
Home care	21
Senior's services (e.g. EARS)	0
Total	5128

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Has dependant been abused?

Total admitted dependants: 6002

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Physically abused	884
Sexually abused	212
Psychologically abused	3258
Neglected	820
Witness to abuse	4106
Financially abused	965
Total	10245

NON-RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Method Of Contact:

Total non-residential contacts : 38141

Frequencies:

Response	Number
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Telephone contact	34141
In-person contact	3338

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Sex of Individual:

Total non-residential contacts : 38141

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Male	2447
Female	35389
Unknown	299

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Age of Individual:

Total non-residential contacts : 38141

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Child	157
Teen	391
Adult	34551
Elder	336
Unknown	2259
No response	447

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
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Question: Source of Contact:

Total non-residential contacts : 38141

Frequencies:

Response	Yes	No	No Resp
Abused person	23188	12900	2053
Other shelter	2335	28836	6970
Mental health	265	30497	7379
Medical	392	30385	7364
Legal	79	30642	7420
School	98	30637	7406
Child Welfare	641	30063	7437
Police/RCMP	1237	29540	7364
Family member / Friend	2313	28630	7198
Church / Clergy	81	30527	7533
Service provider	3505	27353	7283
Community member	5123	25820	7198

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: In Need of Accomodation

Total non-residential contacts : 38141

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Accepted in any Alberta Shelter	8433
Not accepted: Referrals provided	9357
...Total number of children	10811
Not accepted: Other women meeting mandate	1038
...Total number of children (of Other)	815
Not accepted: Inappropriate	2618
Referred to Emergency Social Services	3415

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Type of program

Total non-residential supports : 30676

Frequencies:

Response	Number
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Follow up	12239
Outreach	10937
In-house service	5795
Public education	1267

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/04/1998 to 31/03/1999

Question: Type of service provided

Total non-residential supports : 30676

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Emotional support/information	27838
Referrals	11087
Crisis intervention	5512
Other	7832
Advocacy	1353
Ongoing abuse intervention	10027
Group counselling/support	3478
Transportation	1376

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
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Question: Public education audience

Total non-residential supports : 30676

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Community group	926
Family violence events	151
Professional group	283
Medical	51
Schools	644
Police	67
Aboriginal group	964